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SUBJ: THIRD PREPCOM FOR 7TH UNGA SPECIAL SESSION -
CHINESE INTERVENTION (AUGUST 21)

1. IN COURSE OF GENERAL DEBATE ON THE FUTURE WORK OF PREPCOM III (REPORTED SEPTTEL), CHINESE REP LAUNCHED INTO THE STANDARD DIATRIBE. HE DESCRIBED THE GOALS OF THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION AS IMPLEMENTING NIEO AND CERDS AS WELL AS CONTINUING THE STRUGGLE AGAINST COLONIALISM, IMPERIALISM, SUPER-POWER HEGEMONY, ETC. AFTER BRIEF DIGRESSION TO INDICATE CHINESE SUPPORT OF CRP 1 (WITH EMPHASIS ON ACHIEVING SELF-SUFFICIENCY), HE RETURNED TO THE ATTACK. "ONE" SUPER-POWER WAS ACCUSED OF TRYING TO BUY OFF AND/OR DIVIDE THE DEVELOPING WORLD THRU EMPTY PROMISES; "THE OTHER" OF APPEARING TO SUPPORT THE GOALS OF THE THIRD WORLD WHILE IN FACT EXTENDING ITS HEGEMONY AND DIVERTING ATTENTION THRU FALSE SLOGANS SUCH AS DETENTE AND DISARMAMENT. THE INTERVENTION ENDED WITH AN APPEAL TO THE G-77 TO MAINTAIN THEIR UNITY IN THE FACE OF THESE THREATS.

2. USSR REP DID NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY. HOWEVER, AT CONCLUSION OF HIS STATEMENT ON THE ITEM UNDER DISCUSSION, HE DID REFERE SARCASTICALLY TO THOSE WHO SOUGHT SIMPLY TO
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DISRUPT THE COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITHOUT HAVING ANYTHING

TO OFFER.

3. COMMENT: WE DECIDED NOT TO RESPOND IMMEDIATELY
BECAUSE THE CHINESE STATEMENT -- THEIR STANDARD CANNED
LINE -- WAS SO OBVIOUSLY INAPPROPRIATE TO THE PROCEDURAL
DISCUSSION AT HAND AND, ABOVE ALL, BECAUSE IT WOULD
HAVE BEEN TACTICALLY DISADVANTAGEOUS TO OUR EFFORTS ON
THE PROCEDURAL ISSUES TO HAVE INTERVENED AT THAT
POINT.
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